

Leaders of the Future in Sustainable Development



Woodbrooke Study Centre, Birmingham, 6 – 7 March 2013

About the facilitators

Your facilitators on the two-day programme will be:

- **Jo Matthews** – an experienced sustainable development practitioner in the learning and skills sector, focusing on strategic leadership and corporate responsibility
- **Kirsti Norris** – who has extensive experience of sustainability from within and outside the sector, with particular focus on achieving positive sustainable behaviour.

Day one has a focus on learning from sector champions:

- **Di Dale**, Principal, Wiltshire College
- **Maria Gilling**, Principal, Walsall Adult and Community College
- **Esin Esat**, Director of Sustainability, Bedford College
- **Helen Cutts**, Sustainability, Health and Safety Officer, Wigan and Leigh College

Day 2 will include input from LSIS and the EAUC.

Programme day 1 – Harvesting the ideas

10.00	Arrival, registration and refreshments
10.30	Session 1 – scene setting <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Introductions• Sector overview• Reflection: celebrate how your organisation is already embracing sustainability
11.30	Coffee
11.50	Session 2 – Focusing on a SD sector area with a sector-champion. Presentations from a sector champion, followed by discussion and Q&A: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Leadership & strategy
12.35	Session 3 – Focusing on a SD sector area with a sector-champion. Presentations from a sector champion, followed by discussion and Q&A: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Teaching & learning
13.20	Lunch

Programme day 1 continued

- 14.00 **Session 4 – Focusing on a SD sector area with a sector-champion. Presentations from a sector champion, followed by discussion and Q&A:**
- Estates, facilities, carbon and procurement
- 14.45 **Session 5 – Focusing on a SD sector area with a sector-champion. Presentations from a sector champion, followed by discussion and Q&A:**
- Sustainability in a small scale community college
- 15.30 **Coffee**
- 15.50 **Session 6 – Reflection**
- What would participants like to see in their organisation?
- 16.25 **Session 7 – Sector champion panel discussion – 4 sector champions sharing their experience and knowledge**
- How responding to regional and national drivers for sustainability can help the business case
 - How partnership working can contribute to the sustainability strategy
 - The role of the Reaching Forward Index and guidance on how to complete it
- Evening
- Early dinner as a group, with attendance of the sustainability-leading learning providers that presented during the afternoon
 - After dinner: interactive sustainability communications tools and games including Harvest and some of the resources developed through the Stepping Up in Sustainability Fund and Apple Carving as a representation of the earth

Programme day 2 – Forming your plans

- 08.00 **Breakfast for 9am start**
- 09.00 **Introduction to day two**
- Reflection: what queries are participants bringing to the day?
- 09.10 **Session 1 – Sustainable Development and The Bigger Picture**
- Global issues and creative opportunities
 - What does it mean for the sector – and in particular for your organisation?
- 09.40 **Session 2 - You are not alone!**
- Information, support, signposting and linkage available through the EAUC network as part of the programme
 - LSIS activities update – including RSAs and online resources available to support you

Programme day 2 continued

- 10.20 **Session 3 – Stakeholder Engagement and Influencing Strategies**
- World Café style activity (includes **Coffee**)
 - Who do champions need to engage, or continue to engage with to develop the whole organisation's commitment and practice in sustainable development?
 - How can you best engage and influence?
 - LSIS Sustainability Leaders' Toolkit
 - Reflection on influencing strategies
- 11.35 **Session 4 – Benchmarking with the Reaching Forward Index and Action planning**
- Reflecting on the Reaching Forward Index
 - Determining First Steps to action when you return to your workplace
 - Activity – Complete action plans with timescales and responsibilities
 - Peer-2-peer review of action plans
- 12.15 **Session 5 - Closing session**
- Committing to top priority actions with the group
- 13.00 **Lunch and Networking**
- 14.00 **Depart**